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The Forward O. P.

I'll bet that more Joshuans did more walking last week than at any time in the brief history of this desert metropolis "where the desert lures and the climate cures." Plenty of us discovered leg muscles we never knew we had.

In my father's life the dominant memory was the big flood of 1881. Every subsequent occurrence was remembered as happening "so many years after the flood of '81" when the entire Missouri River basin was covered with muddy water that swept away farms and homes and lives. To me nothing left quite such vivid memories as the tornado of 1913 that took a big hunk of Omaha and vicinity up into the air and scattered debris and human bodies all over the landscape. Practically the whole family joined the church that Easter Sunday afternoon and in my youthful mind it seemed that the forces of evil resented our teaming up with the Presbyterians. The church door rattled and banged; the saints in the stained glass windows billowed and swayed in the terrific wind; the very building seemed to rock on its foundation. I'll bet that twenty and thirty years from now you'll hear some stories prefaced by, "Well, now, let's see; it was in '49, the year of the big snow on the desert"—followed by figures to prove that the drifts covered everything but the higher mountain tops. There's nothing like a great catastrophe to prived Grandpa with eye-bulging story material for the young fry in after years.

DESERT FOLKS DIG OUT AFTER WEEKS HIBERNATION

Slowly, but good-naturedly, residents of desert communities in the vicinity of Joshua Tree are digging their way out of almost three feet of snow which forced them into a week long period of hibernating. The actual total snowfall that nearly paralyzed these usually sun drenched towns was 27 inches as measured by Harold Jost of the Joshua Tree Builders Supply. Until Saturday the threat of more of the same was contained in low hanging clouds that obscured the near-by foothills and kept the sun from getting in any real good licks. On Monday morning a foot of hard crusted snow still kept many cars immobilized only a few feet from cleared roads.

Many business firms made no attempt to keep regular hours last week and a few stayed closed until the weekend because the snow-bound streets were deserted. Extra blades added to the County road maintenance crews were busy night and day attempting to keep traffic moving on the 29 Palms Highway. Not until Saturday could one be spared for clearing the streets leading from the Highway through business and residential districts. Fuel oil and gas dealers were swamped with orders but because of the deep snow could not reach many homes until linte in the week. The electric power and phone facilities were operating at maximum capacity and doing a good job. Local water company officials worked extra hours to keep the service operating.

Hastily manufactured sleds and toboggans appeared and made good use of the frozen slopes that were free of auto traffic. Kids and grown-ups alike had fun making snow men and women, and snowball battles were the order of the day. Teachers appeared at school whenever possible but most elementary schools were unable to hold sessions because of lack of heat or pupils, or both. This will necessitate school sessions during the usual Easter vacation period, it was stated by instructors.

On Sunday the skies were clear but icy winds kept temperatures low enough to retard melting and

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Sun Valley Growers Get Poult Schedule

A tentative schedule of delivery dates for poults to Rancho Sun Valley turkey raisers has just been released by F. W. Rahn, general manager of the S. C. T. G. A. incubating plant at Riverside. Because of the short supply of eggs, states Rahn, it may be necessary to curtail some of the orders. He hopes, however, to make full deliveries on the dates specified. The first shipment is slated for February 2nd. Deliveries will continue to be made at irregular intervals from then until May 25th when the last batch is expected.

Eleven growers are now preparing for the arrival of the young poults from the Riverside cooperative. A few more turkey raisers, it is reported, may purchase from other sources as the S.C.T.G.A. plant is booked to capacity. All presently scheduled shipments will be of the broad breasted bronze variety.

The snowstorm of last week has delayed building operations at least ten days, according to the growers. Construction of seven brooder houses is planned to start as soon as the weather permits. Most growers have standardized on a 20 ft. x 50 ft. brooder house of wood studding and aluminum sidewall and roof construction.

The following is a list of turkey raisers, estimated numbers of poults and the delivery dates:

Briggs, 1400, Feb. 2; Kroes 1300, Feb. 16; Terrazas 1400, March 2; King 1300, March 2; Haynes 1100, March 9; Gilman 1100, March 9; Dutton 1500, March 16; King 800, March 23; Frye 1000, March 30; Stepp 600, March 30; Summers 1000, March 30; Briggs 1500, April 6; Kroes 1200, April 6; Melanson 1000, April 6; King 1200, April 27; Frye 1000, May 4; Haynes 1100, May 4; Gilman 1100, May 4; Terrazas 1300, May 11; Summers 800, May 18; Frye 900, May 25.

Business Firms Sponsor Desert Mardi Gras

A full program of western fun and spectacles will be offered on Friday, Saturday and Sunday, January 21, 22 and 23 by the business folks of Desert Hot Springs according to word from Harry L. Plymire, general chairman. Many desert communities, including Joshua Tree and towns along the 29 Palm Highway, have been invited to enter floats, bands or marching groups in the Mardi Gras parade on Saturday at 11 a.m. Several civic groups here have expressed their intention to participate. There will be a prize for the best band as well as various other awards.

On Friday night, the committee announces, there will be a masque ball at which Mardi Gras queen contestants will be selected. Later in the evening at the Desert Hot Springs Theatre the queen will be selected from among the candidates.

The committee in charge of the Mardi Gras is Harry Plymire, general chairman; Col. Buck Elton, secretary; C. Babin, treasurer; Paul Dervaes and Frank Gantiello, members at large; John Fink, concessions; Jerome Storm, publicity; and "Col." Ted Davis, master of ceremonies.

Here is the complete schedule of events for the three day celebration:

Friday, January 21—

12:30 p.m. — Western fashion show luncheon and kangaroo court, Elton's at Palm north of Pierson.

3:00 p.m.—Boot Hill Days, Red Dog Saloon (Palm Drive and First Avenue).

7:30 p.m.—Costume Masque Ball —Select Madri Gras queen contestants—Elton's ballroom.

10:00 p.m.—Louisiana Roulades and Burlesque, Desert Hot Springs Theater. (Final Choice of Mardi Gras Queen).

Saturday, January 22—

11:00 a.m.— Mardi Gras Parade (forms north of 8th St. on Palm).

2:00 p.m.—Rodeo and Cowboy Races (free admission). East from Two Bunch Palms Tract Office on So. Palm.

3:00 p.m.—Hanging the Murderer. Red Dog Saloon (Palm Drive and First Avenue).

7:00 p.m.—Louisiana Roulades and Burlesque, Desert Hot Springs Theatre.

Sunday, January 23—

11:00 a.m.—Children's costume and pet show—Games, contests—awards. Lot next to Theatre Malt Shop between 2nd and 3rd Sts.

1:30 p.m.—Presentation of Television set. Desert Hot Springs Theatre (Free admission). Kangaroo Court Amateur Show.

Smoke Signal Saves Marooned Veteran

By sacrificing the spare tire from his snowbound automobile George Venesco, veteran of four year's service with the Marine Corps, probably saved his life. Venesco, now a Southern Pacific railroad man, started from Victorville last Tuesday to spend a week's vacation with his wife who is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Wheeler in Joshua Tree. Between Lucerne Valley and the 29 Palms Highway his car stalled on the Old Woman Springs back road. After two days and nights in the bitter cold with only a thin blanket for protection Venesco climbed the nearest hill, made a fire with shavings from a chunk of 2x4, and used the spare tire to produce black smoke. A short time later two men who had been rabbit hunting in a jeep saw the smoke signal and came to the rescue.

A twenty mile drive brought Venesco and his rescuers to Lucerne Valley where the ex-Marine boarded a bus and eventually arrived to spend the short remainder of his vacation with his wife and her folks in Joshua Tree.

New Air Post Cards Prove Popular

The new airmail postal cards issued the first of the year by the Post Office Department are taking the fancy of mail patrons, states Grace Aldridge, Joshua Tree postmaster. The cards are of regulation size printed in bright red ink. The 4 cent stamp depicts a flying bald eagle, emblem of the nation.

Most of the postal rate raises have been easily accepted by mail patrons, with the exception of the air mail letter rate. Many patrons, says Postmaster Aldridge, are forgetting to affix the required 6c per ounce on first class airmail letters. Any letters carrying insufficient postage will be held for additional postage.

The new 6c airmail stamps will be ready for issue the latter part of this month and can then be ordered for the local post office, according to the postmaster. The Joshua Tree office will have all new stamp issues as they become available.

1948 Tourists Spend Over Half Billion In California

The All-Year Club, digging out from under a snowdrift, announced today that motor arrivals into California set an all-time record in 1948.

There were 2,744,480 motor arrivals, according to Stewart K. Widdess, second vice-president of the community tourist advertising organization. This was 1.6 per cent more than 1947.

"This, however, was the gross total of people driving into the entire State, for all purposes, business as well as pleasure," Widdess explained, "and it does not represent the number of our motor tourists.

"A little more than half of them, or 1,434,072, came in over the five southern highways directly into Southern California. Also, a portion of those arriving through the northern and eastern highway gateways wound up here eventually. Of the combined total, a large proportion are tourists, while others are coming on business or for other purposes."

When the number of motor tourists coming to the Southland is winnowed out from the gross State

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Aldridge Leases Clark Building

Mr. and Mrs. Hubert Aldridge have leased the Cleta Clark building on Commercial Street, they announced this week. They are planning to spend the next two weeks in redcorating the interior. Hubert Aldridge will purchase and install barber equipment preparatory to opening a barber shop early in February. Attractive living quarters in the rear of the building will be occupied by the Aldridges.

Cleta Clark, who formerly operated her Coiffure Cottage here, is now working in Bell, California.

C. of C. to Plan 1949 Program

The first meeting of the Chamber of Commerce in 1949 will be held at 8 P.M. at the Community Hall on Friday night of this week. Standing committees will be named and a program for the year's activity will be presented for consideration by the members. Plans for participation in the Desert Hot Springs Mardi Gras will also be discussed.

A meeting of the board of directors is scheduled for Wednesday night at the home of President McMillen. This session convenes at 7:30 p.m.

The Personal Touch

Margret Bair, Joshua Tree wizard of drapes and upholstery, almost didn't get home last Tuesday on her return from visiting her daughter and son-in-law in Oklahoma. She had gone east with the Roy Pierpoints and returned as far as Banning by bus. Fearing she would be storm bound in the Pass city Margret hired a taxi to bring her the rest of the way. As the storm got worse the road on the Yucca grade got slicker and with only one chain the taxi finally gave up the ghost in front of the Bucksin Club. Your Journal editor with chains on both hind wheels came along, transferred passenger and baggage and got the lady safely home. Margret's troubles were not over, however, as the water pipes in her home had burst and been shut off by thoughtful neighbors. During the course of the weeks storm the fuel ran out, too. So, Margret has been melting snow for cooking and bathing and searching under the snow for wood to burn in the fireplace. She is profusely thankful to all the neighbors who discovered the split water pipes and shut off the water before her home was flooded.

The C. M. Bud Lydays are now caring for a stray wild duck. Bud noticed the bird along side of the Highway last Saturday. It seemed to be exhausted and lost so he picked it up and now has it safely ensconced in the garage.

Bob and Howard Shelly of Los Angeles were weekend visitors at the home of their mother, Mrs. Ruth Shelley on Sunburst Circle.

A weekend visitor at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Wheeler was her brother, John Robb of Los Angeles. The Wheelers and John tried out the National Monument road on Saturday but had to turn back after a few miles because of slippery conditions. Even the coyotes, they reported, found the going tough in the deep snow and would jump to one side as the car went by without attempting to run away.

Mrs. Alice Johnson and Ralph Snodgrass of Los Angeles were weekend guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Sandell on Mountain View Circle.

Passersby looked twice at the charming creature who stood in front of LeOrra Court last Thursday and Friday before the sun made her a bit sway-backed. Wearing a bandana head scarf, a yellow neck-piece and a fancy apron with a pert look on her highly decorated face this coy sunbonnet Sue was sculped from snow by Patty Garry.

W. Whitlow, Jr., came to Joshua Tree last Friday night expecting to look in on his parents at their ranch in the Monument. He was forced by the impassibility of the roads to stay here until the next morning when Don Houghton got him there in the jeep.

Mr. and Mrs. Chester Bunker and Mr. and Mrs. Forrest Summers were amazed that the snow was still deep when they drove out to spend the weekend. The Bunkers were quite cozy in their Sun Valley cottage and the Summers were well cared for at LeOrra Court.

Mr. and Mrs. John Housley, Jr., who were married in Los Angeles on Friday, January 14th, spent the first weekend of their honeymoon in the Joshua Tree cottage, Blue Heaven, owned by his aunt, Miss Lou Housley. John, Jr., is the son of John Housley, early Joshua Tree builder, and a nephew of Mary Burson of the Journal staff.

Mr. and Mrs. E. N. Harmon and Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Frye and son of Walnut Park were guests at Mira Monte Court last weekend. The Fryes have poults ordered and will start operating their Sun Valley ranch some time in March.

Dr. Dean W. Fairbanks was a Redlands visitor on Monday when he spent the day at his mother's home.

Mr. and Mrs. L. W. Leadbetter were Joshua Tree visitors for the weekend. They stayed at Mira Monte Court.

D. O. Martin of Long Beach was a Joshua Tree visitor on Sunday. Mr. Martin established the cement block plant in Joshua Tree some years ago and brought in the first truck load of cement. His son was the first baby born in this growing desert community.

1948 TOURISTS SPEND OVER HALF BILLION IN CALIF.

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motor total, and the arrivals by rail, bus and air are added to it, Widdess said the number of purely vacation visitors in 1948 comes to 3,373,395, which was also an all-time high.

However, their spendings, though amounting to nearly half a billion dollars, did not set a record. Because of a decreased length of tourist stay, the money dropped off 2 per cent.

Sheet Metal Shop Opens in 29 Palms

Roy Brogdon is announcing this week the opening of a general sheet metal business in the former Post-office annex at the Plaza in Twentynine Palms. Brogdon offers a heating and ventilating service as well as general sheet metal job work. He also states that all work is guaranteed.

Before his army service in World War II Brogdon operated a shop in Banning. Since the war and prior to removing to Twentynine Palms he operated a shop in Coachella which was owned by the building inspector of that community.

Mr. and Mrs. Brogdon have taken a year's lease on a home in Twentynine Palms.

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Turkey Talk

While the young poults are growing consideration should be given to management of the flock after the poult stage. There are three generally accepted methods of growing turkeys; rearing in close confinement and providing all feed; open ranging but providing all feed; and open ranging with turkeys getting part of feed from range. The first is the method used in the desert areas for obvious reasons.

Best results can be obtained when not more than 1,000 turkeys are confined on one acre. This allows about 50 square feet of space per bird. If more turkeys per acre are ranged care must be taken to keep the yards from becoming dirty, and to prevent cannibalism which often occurs when turkeys are crowded. Naturally, the results of cannibalism can lower the market quality of turkeys.

Graduated turkey wire fencing around the yard is recommended. The fence should be at least five feet high. Many growers prefer a seven foot fence. To prevent close approach of predatory animals lanterns should be hung or electric bulbs strung along the fence at intervals and burned thru the night. Turkeys should never be mixed with chickens otherwise the losses from blackhead and other diseases may be heavy. Plan the gates in your fences to provide easy access for feed and equipment trucks.

An adequate number of automatic watering bowls or troughs must be provided. Feed hoppers may be placed on the ground at first but should be raised as the turkeys grow larger. Provide enough hoppers to prevent too much crowding.

Many authorities recommend roosts for birds raised in close confinement but that practice is not generally followed by local growers. Ground roosting has apparently proven satisfactory. Where natural shade is not present artificial shade should be provided. Without adequate shade turkeys may suffer heat prostration in very hot weather. Again, too little shade will cause crowding and overheating with a consequent loss of marketability.

Excellent information for turkey raisers is contained in the California Agricultural Extension Service circular No. 110 titled "Turkey Production in California." This and other bulletins may be obtained from the Agricultural Extension Service, Room 218 Federal Building, San Bernardino, Calif.

Greenhorn Gardner

By RUTH HALE

Yes, real winter is with us and today, as I write to you, the wind is blowing out of the north. The snow is melting from the roof and it is pleasant to hear that dripping sound even though tomorrow the drips may be frozen into sparkling icicles. All of this is very unusual and many people may be cold, colder perhaps than those who are in sub-zero temperatures. You may wonder why your Greenhorn Gardner is writing at this time. Well, this is the reason: the birds are hungry and many may die unless they are fed. What has that to do with gardening many of you may ask. Well, birds eat worms and bugs which destroy many plants, trees and vegetables. So, without the birds to help us in pest control, we may have to work doubly hard to grow things, when spring comes. An article in the January 22, 1949 Colliers, "Lets Feed Mr. and Mrs. Hungry Bird" by Helen Greer Cruichshank, is well worth reading.

Here at my cabin I have put out crumbs, scrapings from the cereal pot and bits of lettuce and celery and I have heard the feathered feasters chirping their thanks. You will be surprised to see how many different kinds of birds will come around.

The other day I saw a robin, a big fat one, trying to get under a large rock for shelter and it reminded me of a verse which I knew as a child: The north wind

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COMMUNITY SPIRIT

Joshua Tree is known thruout this desert region for the united spirit of its citizens in all matters affecting the community welfare. In spite of personal differences of opinion on many subjects we can be certain of practically 100 per cent cooperation for the betterment of our home community. The near-emergency of last week when Joshua Tree and its neighbor towns were held in the snowy grip of an unaccustomed winter blizzard provided Joshuans with an opportunity to demonstrate what may be the secret of our fine community spirit.

That secret is plain, old-fashioned neighborly helpfulness. There were literally hundreds of instances in which the neighborly spirit was demonstrated. Many whose fuel supply had run out were housed at the neighbors or were loaned fuel from the neighbors supply. Folks who had been away during the storm were made happy because a neighbor had looked after the water pipes in their absence.

Several public spirited, neighborly citizens equipped with heavy trucks or cars with tire chains made paths to business houses or homes from the highways and even neglected their own businesses to pull a neighbor's car out of a snowbank. Everyone seemed to be looking for opportunities to help his neighbors. Many a desert homesteader or isolated rancher was surprised to see a neighbor come plowing thru the snow with groceries, fuel, mail or an offer to help in any way. After the first rude shock of finding Joshua Tree snowbound and taking stock of their own difficulties Joshuans started looking for ways to help their neighbors.

How, we wonder, can a community keep from growing and prospering when its citizens act like that? Perhaps Joshua Tree is more fortunate than other towns in the universal neighborliness of its residents. At any rate we are proud of the fine community spirit displayed last week.

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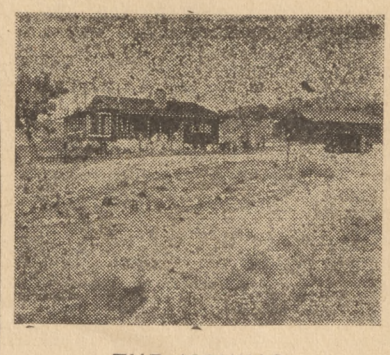

THE JOSHUAS

By JUNE LeMERT PAXTON

TODAY'S SNOW WILL BRING TOMORROW'S FLOWERS

Here at "The Joshuas" in Yucca Valley the snow is falling. I say at "The Joshuas" because I cannot see beyond my immediate surroundings, yet I presume that this entire countryside is sleeping under a featherbed of snow such as it has not experienced in many years. A cotton-like padding growing thicker and thicker covers the lintel above my front gate. Pillars in white adorn each fence-post. Every sword on the Joshua trees is laden, while the upturned arms are completely covered with the feathery substance. The pedestal-bird-bath has assumed the appearance of a huge open pie, topped with an overdose of meringue.

Nig, the cat, is on the front porch and does not know what to make of this unexpected turn of events. Gingerly he places his paws into the snow and then lefts the hind feet, hoping he can walk on his front ones. Bewildered, he gives up and returns to his blanket on the porch-seat. And, hourly, the mantle of snow grows deeper and deeper!

Today, this is the beautiful, howbeit unusual, picture that I see from my cabin-windows. In a few weeks this bed of snow will amply reward us when the picture changes to one of lovely coloring. From far and near people will be coming to see the sands turned into carpets of countless flowers,—yellow, blue, purple, and scarlet in their brilliantly colored dresses!

Food for Thought

By Stephen Moninger

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"It is a pleasure to stand upon the shore, and to see ships tost upon the sea: a pleasure to stand in the window of a castle, and to see a battle and the adventures thereof below: but no pleasure is comparable to the standing upon the vantage ground of truth (a hill not to be commanded, and where the air is always clear and serene), and to see the errors, and wonderings, and mists, and tempests, in the vale below . . ."

— Sir Francis Bacon

The condemnation of a man's action, regardless of what the action may be, by another, is not only a bad give away on the part of the latter but in the end is self-condemnation. For this reason criticism, when it does come, must be constructive to be of value. It must needs be criticism by improved action. Therefore, before criticizing at all, a man is compelled to look to himself. He then strikes a base from which to operate. He is then able to form an unbiased opinion. When the right thing has been said in some quarters he recognizes it and he may praise it. When he has something better to offer he says so and in turn it may be recognized and it may be praised.

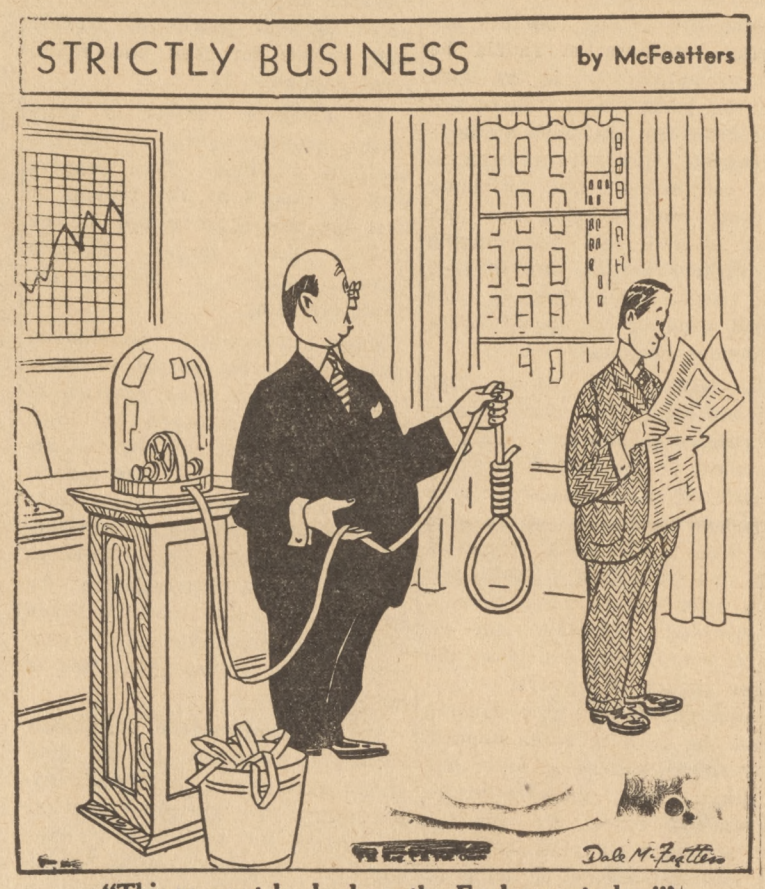
However, when he cannot find good in what has been said and when he does not know how to improve it he has absolutely nothing to say. This is proper conduct and proper action on the part of the man for thus he proves that he lives for and is interested in an issue, and not in himself.

On the other hand when he merelyly criticizes, which is but another way of finding fault, he proves to him who knows better — or those who know better — that he is interested in himself rather than the issue and so he condemns himself.

It cannot be denied that when a man attempts to fling dirt in front of the feet of another it is improper conduct. It is however a foolish, senseless venture, if he attempts to fling dirt in front of a man who seeks righteousness and who, by virtue of being so engaged, is therefore a right minded man.

Suppose you and I would attempt this very thing. Before we can attempt it at all we shall have to go upon the same road the opposed is on, and since the latter is a right minded man he is without any question upon the right road. Therefore we, too, arrive upon the right road in which case we would team up with him rather than oppose him. We would not engage in such shameful conduct as to seek his downfall. If we attempt it anyhow we prove, conclusive in itself, that we are upon a different road — the wrong road. Any dirt we fling falls short of its mark. Instead of flinging it in front of the feet of another we fling it clearly in front of our own thus remaining blind to the issue.

Someone may challenge the statement that it is improper conduct to condemn a man's action, regardless of what the action. However, a man in search of what is right before God and man will prove to himself the fact, unquestionable, that it is far more evil for a man to point out evil in another than it is for the latter to do evil. For in so doing he is not setting an example as he should to correct evil in himself. In looking to himself first he learns to allow for the evil the other does and learns to see the good in him. He no longer deals in effects, but causes. He comes to understand cause and effect and proves to himself how wise and just the counsel of Him was whose judgment, based upon love, reason and understanding, caused Him to say "Return good for evil, I am the way, the truth, and the life, no one comes to the Father but through Me."



"Things must be bad on the Exchange today!"

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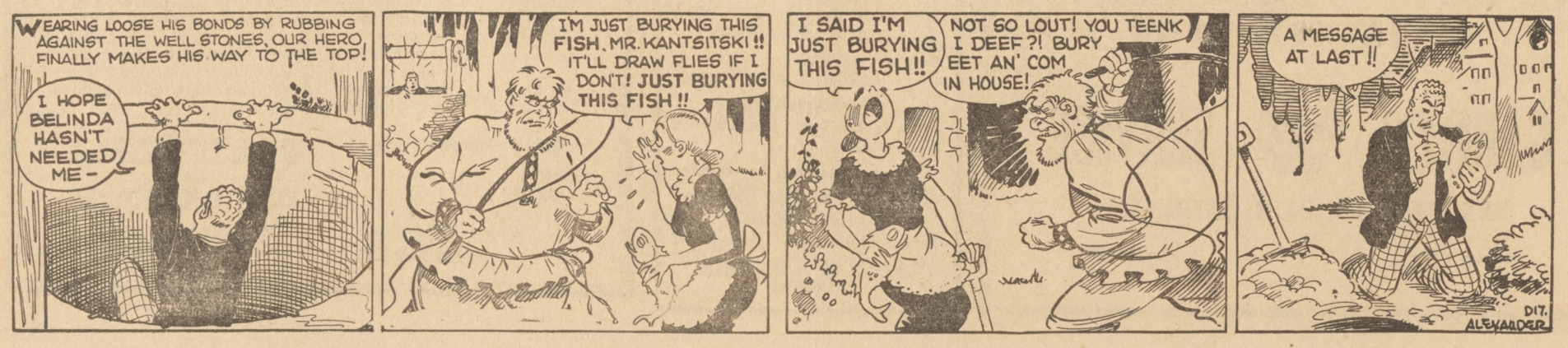
WEARING LOOSE HIS BONDS BY RUBBING AGAINST THE WELL STONES, OUR HERO FINALLY MAKES HIS WAY TO THE TOP!
I HOPE BELINDA HASN'T NEEDED ME -
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NOT SO LOUT! YOU TEENK I DEEF?! BURY EET AN' COM IN HOUSE!
A MESSAGE AT LAST!!
DIT. ALEXANDER

GREENHORN GARDNER

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doth blow and we shall have snow, and what will poor robin do then? He'll hide in a barn to keep himself warm, and hide his head under his wing. You will be well repayed by the cheerful chirping of the birds now and on the warm days to come you will delight in their songs of appreciation. Don't wait! Now is the time they need the food.

DESERT FOLKS DIG OUT AFTER WEEK'S HIBERNATION

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run-off. Traffic was heavy and roads filled with curious city sightseers who came for a glimpse of the snow covered desert.

During the week many inexperienced drivers attempted to negotiate the drifts but spent more time digging than they did driving. Some gave up in disgust and left cars where they stuck for the duration. No major accidents were reported but a few unwary citizens suffered injured dignity as the icy footing betrayed them.

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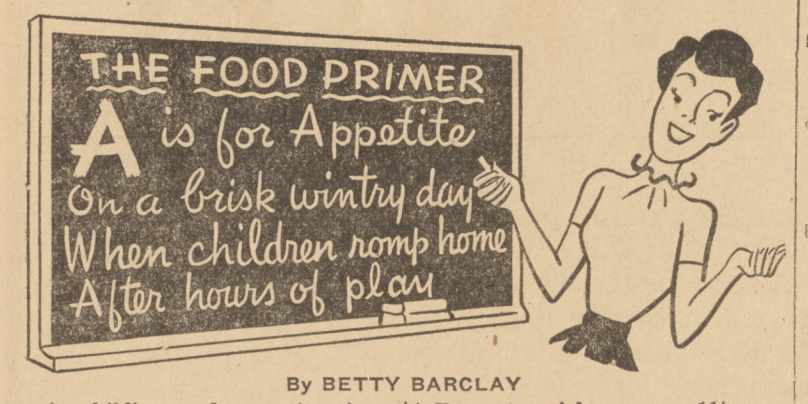

By BETTY BARCLAY

A child's good appetite is a Mother's delight but it's sometimes hard on Mother, too. Just finding a variety of dishes that are nourishing, appealing, and—need we add—economical, is no easy matter.

Cold weather creates a desire for hearty foods with savoury odors that float out from the kitchen and perk up that already awakened appetite even more!

The recipes below all cater to healthy hunger. One of these, Glazed Ham Patties, is an excellent meat dish that will do for two meals in most families (unless you decide to cut the recipe in half.) For a one-dish supper, or for a big Sunday brunch, Bacon Bran Flakes Waffles really hit the spot. And for the finish of any meal, the Baked Apples with Crumble Topping given below are "tops" for any child or grownup with a cold-weather appetite.

Glazed Ham Patties

1 pound ground smoked ham
1 pound ground fresh pork
1 cup raisin bran
¼ teaspoon salt
Dash of pepper
Dash of thyme
2 tablespoons finely chopped onion
1¼ cups milk*

½ cup brown sugar, firmly packed
½ cup corn syrup
3 tablespoons vinegar
1 teaspoon dry mustard

Combine ham, pork, raisin bran, salt, pepper, thyme, onion, and milk. Roll into balls and place in custard cups or large muffin pans. Bake in moderate oven (350° F.) 20 minutes.

Mix together in saucepan brown sugar, syrup, vinegar, and mustard. Bring to a boil and boil 1 minute. Pour 1 tablespoon of mixture over each patty and bake 20 minutes longer. Serve with remaining sauce. Makes 12 patties.

* For extra richness, use 1¼ cups undiluted evaporated milk.

Bacon Bran Flakes Waffles

1 cup sifted flour
2 teaspoons double-acting baking powder
½ teaspoon salt
2 egg yolks, well beaten
1 cup milk
3 tablespoons melted bacon fat
1 cup 40% bran flakes
¼ cup chopped cooked bacon
2 egg whites

Sift flour once, measure, add baking powder and salt, and sift again. Combine egg yolks and milk. Add to flour mixture, add bacon fat, then mix only until smooth. Add flakes and bacon and blend. Beat egg whites until they will hold up in moist peaks. Stir quickly but thoroughly into batter. Bake in hot waffle iron. Makes four 4-section waffles.

Baked Apples with Crumble Topping

3 large apples, cored and cut in halves
5 tablespoons honey
⅔ cup water
2 tablespoons butter or margarine
⅛ teaspoon salt
½ teaspoon cinnamon
⅓ cup chopped nut meats
1 cup corn flakes

Arrange apple halves in baking dish and spread each half with 1 teaspoon of the honey. Add enough water to cover bottom of baking dish (about ⅔ cup). Cover and bake in hot oven (400° F.) 20 minutes. Combine butter, remaining 3 tablespoons honey, salt, and cinnamon in saucepan and mix well. Cook and stir over low heat until mixture bubbles. Add nuts and cereal flakes and mix lightly. Spread cereal mixture over tops of apples. Return to oven and bake, uncovered, 20 minutes longer, or until apples are tender. Makes 6 servings.

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